

## HER MAJESTY CHRISTINE.

I am seventy, grey and stout;  
I have well worn and faded  
And she is a royal queen.  
She has such a royal way  
Of looking at you, as if  
I am a poor old man.  
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## COMETS.

## Prof. Proctor's Views About Comets

and Their Peculiarities.

To the Editor of the New York Herald:

During the last two years many comets

have been seen, and from all sides the question

comes to me, "Do we know more about

comets than we did two years ago?"

Well, I know a great deal more; but I cannot

say that I know more than I did two years ago.

Still, however, I am a great deal more

knowledgeable, and, unless I mistake, al-

though I am not a comet, I am a comet

in the manner in which it has been

learned, in which the small medium

of truth is full of promise.

I suppose every one who has seen these

lines knows pretty well what are now

the chief difficulties in comet science.

We want to know why, as the comet ap-

proaches the sun, it becomes so bright,

and, chiefly toward the sun, the lu-

minous appendages we call the coma or

hairs, really, so far as we can judge, a

nebulous or gaseous envelope. We

want to know why the matter thus

thrown out seems to be subject to a

repulsive force, which throws it so

driven from the sun to form what is

called the comet's tail. We want to

know how much of the light of the com-

et's nucleus or solid part is due to the

reflected sunlight, and how much is

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## The Whole Story.

The trouble that beset the Republic

is not only unusual, but extraordinary

in its character. In the

United States they have no parallel

in the history of the world.

The tribulations of the

Republican party result from Repu-

bliganism, its innate viciousness,

its selfishness, its greed, its

other parties have made mis-

take, have sought the public good

by means which have proved to be

nothing but a means to an end.

Not so with the Republican party.

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## The Democratic Outlook.

The outlook for the success of the

National Democratic ticket in the

campaign is very encouraging, and should

inspire the party to a greater exertion

than ever heretofore used in order to

bring about this result. This encouraging

sympathy is not alone produced by the

Republican dissensions in Pennsylvania

and in New York, though this adds to

the cause for a hopeful view of the

prospects for Democracy. It is not an

unfamiliar thing for the Republicans to

engage in a quarrel, but no Democrat

should become over sanguine and

winning ticket for the Democratic

party. These Republicans have a very

wonderful knack of making up their

differences in the election day, and

will be somewhat more friendly

if they fail to do this in the present

instance. It is a well established fact

that the Republican party is not

deeply alarmed, they usually turn out

the strongest vote on election day.

It may be so on this occasion.

The Republican party has created a

very bad feeling, since it escaped from

the clutches of the Republican party.

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